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## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed on January 4, 2002.

# PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER SUBMISSION OF MISSING PARTS UNDER 37 CFR §1.53(c) (FILING DATE GRANTED)

Enclosed are the following items for filing in the above-referenced U.S. Patent Application:

1) Copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts; and

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- Checks in the amount of \$450 and \$225 as payment of the filing fee, assignment fee, Declaration surcharge, and petition for ext of time fees (Charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Counsel's Deposit Account 50-0642);
- 3) Small Entity Form for Individual Inventors;
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- 5) Assignment and cover sheet;
- 6) Information Disclosure Statement, list, and copies of prior art references;
- 7) Declaration and Power of Attorney document; and
- 8) A return postcard showing receipt of the above items.

Having now complied with all of the requirements of 37 CFR §1.53, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be in condition for examination.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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